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## **AMENDMENT**

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## In the Specification:

Page 1, amend the paragraph beginning at line 7 as follows:

This application is related to, and contains common disclosure with, co-pending and commonly assigned patent applications "Network Processor Processing Complex and Methods", serial number 09/384,691, filed August 27, 1999; "Full Match (FM) Search Algorithm Implementation for a Network Processor", serial number 09/543,531, filed April

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